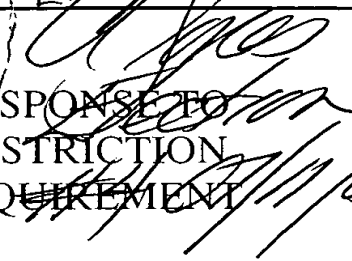


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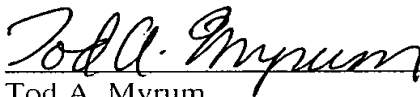
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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 6, 2003, Applicant elects, without traverse, Group I, claims 1-12 and claims 21-27.

Applicant respectfully withdraws remaining claims 13-20 without prejudice, and reserves the right to reintroduce them in a divisional application at a later date.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representative at direct dial (612) 312-2208 if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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